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Buffalo Rock State Park Closure Scheduled for August 22nd

OTTAWA – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that the construction of a retaining wall at Buffalo Rock State Park near Naplate will begin on Monday, August 22nd. The work will close park through Thursday August 26th.

Work will consist of construction of a retaining wall on the road leading into Buffalo Rock State Park and its parking lot along Dee Bennett Road. The closure is required to accommodate the equipment required to construct the wall. More short-term closures will likely be required as the project progresses. Work on the retaining wall is expected to be completed late fall.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area and be prepared for slow and stopped traffic. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices, and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,535 miles of highway and 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Accomplishments through Year Two included approximately \$5.2 billion in improvements statewide on 3,020 miles of highway and 270 bridges along with 428 additional safety improvements.

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